Great Fire Wipes Out East Street Shops at Springfield, O., in

STARTS IN CHEMICAL PLANT.

Militia Called Out to Keep Marauders Away From the Ruins -Senator Fairbanks Owner of the Building.

Springfield, O., Feb. 10.-The largest fire in the history of Springfield broke out in the Champion Chemical plant of the East street shops to-day, and in an hour and a half twelve manufacturing plants, employing 1.200 persons, were in total ruin. The estimated loss is \$65,000. The fire started from the explosion of

some chemicals in the Champion Chemical The fire companies were greatly handi-

capped by the light pressure of water. Ten firemen were caught in the office of the Krell French Piano Company, and to get out rolled down the steps and jumped out of a window.

A company of the National Guards is no on duty to keep away the dense crowds and marauders. Four freight cars of the Detroit and Southern Railway were totally troved and many others were ruined.

The East street shops were built by William N. Whitely, the reaper king, at a cost of \$2,000,000. The shops were occupied by the Springfield Foundry Company, Progress Stove and Furnace Company, Indianapolis Frog and Switch Company, Kyle Art Glass Company, Krell French Piano Company, Miller Gas Engine Company, Champion Chemical Company and Owen Machine Tool Company. The building was bought by Senator Fairbanks of Indiana ten years ago, following the failure

Hundreds of Buildings in Danger. Hundreds of buildings in the vicinity were in imminent danger. Residents were out dashing water against them, and soaking the contents.
Willard Brain, whose office is close to the

great plant, stated that when he and those in the neighborhood first saw the flames they were shooting out from under the of the central part of the front of the plant, which faces on East street. The fire-men, owing to the high wind, were unable

to check the spread of the flames. Soon the whole front of the building, which is five stories high, was ablaze. Half an hour later the walls began to tumble in.

which is live stories high, was ablaze train an hour later the walls began to tumble in. The top of the Krell French Plano Company's part of the building was the last of the front to eatch fire. The blaze started there, in the attic. Instead of going up, it burned downward, shooting down an elevator shaft. It next spread to the part of the building occupied by the Owen Machine Tool Company.

The complete losses are estimated as follows: Owen Machine Tool Company, \$30,000; Springfield Foundry Company, \$30,000; Springfield Foundry Company, \$30,000; Springfield Foundry Company, \$30,000; Indianapolis Frog and Switch Company, \$30,000; Miller Gas Engine Company, \$30,000; Knell French Plano Company, \$150,000. The insurance is \$130,000 on the contents, and for Senator Fairbanks on the building \$110,000, a total of \$240,000.

Dayton was asked to send help. The Warder, Bushnell & Glessner Company's fire department assisted.

#### ANDREWS AS A SPECULATOR. Said to Have Had Large Block of

Amalgamated Copper.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 10.-Of the many young Detroit business men who have come to the front in the last five years perhaps none was so phenomenally successful as Frank C. Andrews, who just as suddenly He is only 20 years of age. Five years

began to dabbie in real estate. Then property, and his luck really seemed won-derful. he began to trifle with stocks and mining About the best bles one can get of the

ung Napoleon is a talk he gave to a wspaper a short time ago. He admitted that his suddenly acquired fortune has been

based largely on speculation. "I take chances," he explained, "but there are degrees of chance, you know." "I left the farm," said he, "twelve years

ago with only a \$5 note, and as I owed 23.75 my actual assets were \$1.25."
Andrews was born on a farm in McComb County, Michigan, March 20, 1871. He went to the district school and helped on the

Andrews, it is said, was heavily loaded with Amalgamated Copper stock, and is said to have dropped immense sums in the endeavor to recoup his losses. At the time of the big slump many said that Andrews had been crippled on margining his stock, out Andrews himself denied this.

The outright purchase of a big block of nated must have entailed the borrowing of a great amount of money if An-diews's holdings run up into the hundreds of thousands, as is reported.

To-day there are 560 "Want" ads printed in the Republic. Count 'em. Compare 'em.

COMPLAIN OF CONDITIONS.

California Horticulturists May Protest to Fair Company.

Les Angeles, Cal., Feb. 19.—It is probable that a protest against the World's Fair new classification, which so discriminates against Los Angeles County exhibits, will be sent the managers of the St. Louis World's Fair.

This classification list for proposed ex-hibits at the World's Fair in St. Louis next year was received by the Chamber of Com-merce to-day, and, so far as this county is concerned, is extremely unsatisfactory. The reason for this is that, under this new method of classification, many horticultura; method of classification, many norticultural exhibits are placed among the agricultural exhibits. This separating of the horticultural exhibit will, in a great measure, split up the exhibition of Los Angeles County between two buildings at the Fair, and into many small exhibits, instead of, as horetofore, making one grand display in this line. Another thing about this new classification is that it exhibits the will continue the statement of the tion is that it split up the viticultur lbit, or exhibit of grapes and wines.

**WORKING ON TETANUS VERDICT.** Meeting of the Commission Called

for To-Morrow.

The Tetanus Court of Inquiry will meet executive session to-morrow afternoon Mayor Wells's office to discuss testimony obtained in the tetanus inquiry. The mony obtained in the tetanus inquiry. The court is composed of the Board of Health and the Council Special Investigating Committee, with the Mayor as chairman. The testimony of the principal witnesses will be compared and discussed and a verdict will be rendered as soon as possible. The Board of Health will reach conclusions of its own, and the Special Investigating Committee, of which Vice President Boyce is chairman, will report its findings to the City Council, so that the Council may reader an independent verdict.

Permanent Census Bill Reported. Washington, Feb. 10.—Senator Quaries to-Preported the permanent census bill as reed upon by the Census Committee Sai-

## HASTENING OF CUPID'S PLANS PROVIDES A DOUBLE WEDDING.

John Joseph of Wilburton, I. T., Comes to St. Louis to Witness the Marriage of His Sweetheart's Brother and Concludes to Take a Bride Back With Him-Romance of Liederkranz Ball.



MISS ANNA RUBINSTEIN, Who will wed Mr. John Joseph to-night.

A double wedding will take place tonight at the residence of N. I. Rubinstein of No. 1706 Wash street, when his son, Barnett Rubinstein, and Miss Rose Schuchat, and his daughter, Miss Anna Rubinstein, and John Joseph of Wilbur-ton, I. T. will be joined in wedlock according to the Hebrew ritual. Rabbi Rosentre-ter of Temple B'Nai Amoona will officiate. All of the contracting parties have been engaged for several months, but it was riage. Mr. Rubinstein and Miss Schuchat had planned their affair for this date, and Mr. Joseph made it convenient to come to

## DUMONT TRIUMPHED OVER OPPOSING WINDS

King of the Air" Executed Difficult Maneuvers Above the Bay of Monaco.

SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. Monte Carlo, Feb. 10 .- (Copyright, 1902.)-M. Santos-Dumont made another excursion with his air ship over the Bay of Monaco at 3 o'clock this afternoon. In spite of a strong wind, which blew shoreward, his efforts were crowned with complete success. For the first time, there floated from the stern of his airship a scarlet pennant bearing the initials P. M. N. D. N., signifying "Par mares nunca d Antes Navegados"
"Over unexplored seas," a device adopted by Santos Dumont from the Portusquese poet Camone's poem the "Lusiades."

After maneuvering over the bay for half an hour Santos-Dumont found himself considerably fatigued and he then headed for the Aerodrome, escorted by numerous sailing craft. The guide rope was seized by seamen of the Prince of Monaco's steam launch and afterwards released, as the men did not understand the aeronaut's signals. With incomparable energy Santos-Dumont triumphed over the opposing winds entirely without assistance and made an excellent anding on the Strand, whence his airship was conducted to the new jetty and after-

wards to the big shed. A great crowd of spectators cheered the 'King of the Air' from the moment he approached the landing until he entered the Aerodrome

Among the well-known persons joined in acclamation were the Duc de Dino, Principe and Principessa Ruspoll, Mr. and Mrs. Waller, M. and Mme, Popoff, General John Nations and Colonel Armstrong.

The third triumph of the aeronaut was voted to have been the most difficult but most important of all. Empress Eugenie and the Prince of Monaco watched his maneuvers from Cape Martin.

## PROF. SEE HONORED IN EUROPE.

Former Missourian Elected a Member of Two Leading Societies. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Professor Thomas J. J. Sec. U. S. N., the astronomer in charge of the great Equatorial of the United States Naval Observatory, has been lected to membership in the Deutsch Mathematiker-Vereinigung, and to the So-clete Mathematique de France, two leading European societies of mathematicians.

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Professor See is well known in Missouri.
He formerly lived in Montgomery County.
He is the author of important scientific papers widely read in this country and Europe, and has carried out valuable research since he came to the observatory. He is also a widely known and popular writer.

Professor See's work on "The Evolution of the Stellar System" made for him a world-wide reputation and for one of his age the recent scientific honors from Europe are additional evidences of his eminence abroad.

### COCHRAN SEEKS GOVERNORSHIP

Missouri Congressman Wants but One More Term in the House.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Feb. 16.—Although he has no formal announcement to make at present. Representative C. F. Cochran of St. Joseph will be a candidate for the next Democratic nomination for Governor. Mr. Cochran w successful in this, will announce that it is to be the end of his service in the House. Coupled with this will be an announce ment that he is an active candidate for the Governorship. Mr. Cochran is serving his third time and holds high rank as a ready and forceful speaker. He has no ambition, however, to serve more than one more term in Congress, preferring, as he says, to get back to work more directly among his neighbors and friends.

## LINCOLN'S MOON EVIDENCE.

Death of Witness in Famous Mur der Case Defended by Lincoln.

was killed last night at his home in Lyndon by falling from a load of corn. Mr. Douglas was a witness in the historical Armstrong murder trial in Illinois when William Armstrong was cleared by Abra ham Lincoln.

Douglas swore at trial that he saw young Armstrong strike the fatal blow, saying that the moon was very bright at the time. Mr. Lincoln then produced an old almanau as his only witness by which he proved that there was no moon on the night in question.

If you cannot find a suitable boarding house among the 119 advertised in to-day's Rapublic, see what a "Room Wanted" ad in to-morrow's Republic will do.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 10.-Frank James applied in the Circuit Court to-day for an injunction against "The James Boys In Missouri" show, which is on the boards at the Gillis Theater this week, and asks that the court restrain them forever from representing any member of the James family upon the stage. Frank James journeyed all the way from St. Louis purposely to stop this play.

"For twenty years I have been trying to ifve down a reputation that came to me in early life," said James this morning. "For the last twenty years I have so lived that I have earned the friendship and confidence of a large part of the people, and that friendship and confidence is worth more to me than all the money I could have. And now along comes this gang of cheap players, who go upon the stage representing myself, my dead brother, Jesse, my old mother, who is now very sick, and my step-father, who has been an invalid for years. In this play the whole James famrob trains, loot banks, and are posed as outlaws, and the worst part of it is ---Here Frank James sprang from his chair

and, pacing the room, said: "The dad-binged play glorifies these outlaws and makes heroes of them. That's the main thing I object to. It's injurious to the youth of the country. It's positively harmful. I am told the Gilliss Theater was packed to the doors last night, and that most of those there were boys and young men. What will be the effect of train robbery and outlawry glorified?"

### SAVED BY SUSPENDER BUCKLE.

Bullet Fired by Footpad at Harry Sieckman Stopped.

Harry Sieckman, a deputy in the City Collector's office, living at No. 3906 Vest avenue, was shot at by highwaymen late Saturday night, when he refused their comsaturday night, when he refused their commands to throw up his hands. The bullet, which was from a 33-caliber revoiver, pierced his overcoat and waistcoat, and flattened against a suspender button.

After firing the shot, the highwaymen ran away, without securing anything from their victim. Several men came up in answer to Sieckman's cries for help, and when they opened his coat the bullet fell on the sidewalk.

## DEATH OF OLD STEAMBOATMAN.

Captain James L. Vandervoort, Veteran Pilot, Passes Away.

James L. Vandervoort, long a resident of St. Louis and many years ago a Captain and pilot on the Mississippi River, died yesterday at his home, No. 5877 Theodosia ave-

Captain Vandervoort was 56 years old.
About thirty years ago he was alternately pilot and exptain of steamers of the Atlantic and Mississippi Line.
The funeral will take place from the femily residence to-motrow morning.

### TRIED TWICE TO HANG HIMSELF

Frank Tollaford's Employer Found Him Suspended From Rafter. Frank Tollaford, 37 years old, employed by Dan Honigan of No. 1347 North Garrison avenue, tried twice to hang himself yester day, and is now in the observation ward

at the City Hospital.

Tollaford has been employed as a choreman. Yesterday his employer found him hanging by a piece of clothes line from a rafter in the cellar. He cut him down, and later found him again in the same position.

Stone County Mass Meeting.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Hartville, Mo., Feb. 10.—Chairman Short has called a mass meeting of the Republican voters of Stone County to meet in Galena, March 22, and elect delegates to the Judicial Convention of the Thirty-first District, which will be held at Gainesville, April 21. Each of the five counties in the district has a candidate for Judge. The district is a new one, formed by the last General Assembly and has a probable Republican majority of 2,000.

Sam C. Major a Caudidate.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Fayette, Mo., Feb. 10.—Sam C. Major of Fayette has announced his candidacy for State Senator from the Fourteenth District, to succeed Senator Steve Cooper of Howard to succeed Senator Steve Cooper of Howard

WANTS TO FIND HER HUSBAND-Mrs. Mary Johns, who lives at No. 4002 North Eleventh street, with her mother, claims she is in destitute circumstances and has asked the assistance of the police in finding her husband, Philip Johns, from whom she has been separated for some time. Philip Johns is a laborer and came to St. Louis from Collinsville, III.

## RAILROAD NEWS FROM ALL POINTS.

Gross Earnings for Fiscal Year of Railways Exceed Billion and a Half.

INCREASE

\$92,000,000.

Average for Each Mile Reaches \$8.211—Tax Figures May Show Excess of Fifty Million for Government.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has sued a preliminary report on the income account of rallways in the United States for the year ending June 39, 1991, prepared by Special Statistician Henry C. Adams, showing earnings, operating expenses, dividends and surplus. The report is compiled from the returns of the 668 operating roads prior to December II, representing a mileage of 192.193.14, about 98 per cent of the total operated mileage of the country.

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Gross earnings for the year are shown to have been \$1,575,16,205. Gross earnings for the previous year were \$1,457,04,515 on 192,556.03 miles. An increase of more than \$2,500,000 in gross earnings is indicated. The earnings of the passenger service amounted to 27.05 per cent of the total gross earnings. The freight service contributed 70.05 per cent of the total gross earnings cent. Miscellaneous earnings amounted to \$36,514,225.

The average amount of gross earnings for

Who will wed Mr. Barnett Rubinstein tonight.

St. Louis at this time to—as he expressed
it—buy goods.

"I suggested that both ceremonies be
celebrated on the same night, instead of
keeping me waiting until March," said Mr.

Joseph, "and Miss Rubinstein consented. I
telegraphed for my brother, who is also my
business partner, and he arrived with his

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Miss Schuchat has been making her home with the Rubinstein family for a long while, and Mr. Joseph has been a frequent relising since the Liederkranz ball last year, from which occasion both engagements date.

FRANK JAMES SEEKS

TO STOP THEATRICALS.

Asks Court to Restrain "The James Boys in Missouri" Show Because It Glorifies Outlawry.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Ransas City, Mo., Feb. 10.—Frank James applied in the Circuit Court to-day for an admonth of the control of the support of the Government of an amount in excess of \$5.99, .99.

CHANGE OF VENUE DEMANDED.

CHANGE OF VENUE DEMANDED. Asked in the "Merger Suits" Brought Against the "Combine."

St. Paul, Feb. 10.-Demands for a change of venue from Hennepin County to Ramsey County were filed to-day in the Ramsey County were filed to-day in the rainsey District Court in the two "merger suits" begun in Hennepin and filed in the District Court of that county January 31 last. In one of these suits John B. Marquand is the plaintiff on his own account and for other stockholders and the defendants are the Northern Pacific Railway Company and the officers and directors of the railway company.

company.

In the other suit Milton Bouden and Sophia Bart Chapman are the plainting and the Great Northern Railroad Company and its officers and directors are the defend-

ants.

Each suit is brought to restrain the consummation of the si-called merger as contrary to the laws of the State of Minnesota. In the former suit C. W. Bunn and Frank B. Kellogg, as attorneys, make affidavit that the principal phace of business of the road is in St. Paul; that certain of the officers and directors live in St. Paul, while the others are nonresidents of the while the others are nonresidents of the State. In the latter sult M. D. Grover, for the Great Northern, makes affidavit to a similar effect and also demands the change of the place of triai.

Under the law of Minnesota the demand by the defendants is sufficient to bring about the change of venue, and both cames will probably come on for hearing at the March term of court.

#### TWO CITIES WANT THE LINE. Ogden and Salt Lake Fight for South-

ern Pacific's Extension. Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 19.-A conference was held here to-day between a committee representing the Commercial Club of Sait Lake and President Burt of the Union Pacific, General Manager Kruttschnitt of the Southern Pacific, Chief Engineer Berry ing garlands for the barvest festivals, are of the Union Pacific and Chief Engineer

Hood of the Southern Pacific. Arguments were presented favoring the construction by the Southern Pacific Company of a line around the south store of the Great Salt Lake, instead of via the contemplated Oyden-Luchn cut-off.

Earlier in the day the railroad officials met a number of torresentative husbane. met a number of representative business men of Ogden in that city and heard state-ments favoring the Lucien cut-off.

D. & R. G. HELD RESPONSIBLE.

\$400,000 Fire, Alleged to Have Beer Caused by Locomotive Sparks. Denver, Colo., Feb. 10 .- The State Court of to-day decided that the Denver and Rio Grande Hallway Company is responsible for the losses entailed by fire

sponsible for the losses entalled by fire which burned the old Antiers Hotel and some other property at Colorado Springs in October, 1898.

The suit against the railway company was brought be some of the insurance companies which were caught by the fire. It was a test case and is said to involve losses aggregating \$490,000. The fire is alleged to have been caused by sparks from a locomotive which set fire to the Rio Grande Station first.

Dunnan Appointed. Chicago, Feb. 19.—C. D. Duaman, city senger agent of the Great Western Rall has been appointed general passenger of of the Pacific Coast Steamslip Com-with headquarters at San F. Steisco.

Wabash Earnings Increase. Wabash earnings for the first week in February were \$124.143, an increase of \$1,757. Farnings for the fiscal year were \$11,921,-974.31, an increase of \$50,007.24.

PAVORABLE REPORT AUTHORIZED

Senate Committee Approves Jones' Bill to Pension Mexican Veterans, Washington, Feb. 10.-The Senate Com nittee on Pensions to-day authorized a favorable report on the bill introduced by Senator Jones of Arkansas increasing the pensions of Mexican war veterans. The bill applies to the survivors of that wa who are pensioned or may be pensioned bereafter under the acts of 1887, 1891 and 1897. It gives each of them a pension of \$12 per month.

Post Offices Become Third Class.
Washington, Feb. 10.—The following fourth-class post offices will be advanced to the third class on April 1, 1902, and thu ecome presidential: Woodhull, Ill., Ada and Comanche, I. T

Josiah B. Millet against the Planters Hotel Company for \$3,000 for damages alleged to have resulted from eating fish at the Plan-ters Hotel, February 12, 1886, which has been pending for about three years, was set for trial in Division No. 3 of the Circuit Court yesterday, but was continued by consent. SIMON'S RAZOR WAS DULL—Nicholas Simon, 64 years old, of No. 5735 Cote Brilliante avenue, attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a razor at a saloon, near Taylor and Easton avenues, yesterday evening. The razor was dull and Simon only inflicted a slight flesh wound on his throat. He then decided that he did not want to die and called a policeman, who sent him to the City Hospital. His condition is not serious. ADDRESSED BY JUDGE THAYER-ADDRESSED BY JUDGE THAYER—
Judge A. M. Thayer of the United States
Circuit Court lectured last night before one
of the advanced classes of the Missouri
College of Law. This is the first of a series
of special lectures to be given by the Judges
of the State and Federal courts. Judge
Leroy B. Valliant of the Missouri Supreme
Court will be the speaker on Monday evening, March 3.

SMOKER AND VAUDEVILLE—The Fifteenth Ward Deutsch Club will give its second annual smoker at Stoler's Hall. Thirteenth and Biddle streets, February 12. A vaudeville show consisting of ten interesting turns and three houts by local boxers will be a feature of the entertainment. alty Company, having a capital stock of \$24,000, half paid in, filed articles of incorporation yesterday. The stock consists of \$260 shares, valued at \$100 each. C. L. Barnhardt holds 80 shares, W. R. Barnhardt, 80, and R. E. Woodson, 80. The B. Klauber's

## APPALLING LIST OF CASUALTIES FROM FIRES AND EXPLOSIONS SINCE JAN. I.

Disastrous fires, explosion horrors and fatal railroad wrecks have piled up an appalling list of causalities during the weeks that have followed January 1.

These calamities began with the sinking of the Walla Walla off Cape Mendocino, by an unknown bark, on the night of January 3, when forty-seven lives were lost.

This was followed January 7 by a cave-in in the Negaunee coal mines, in Michigan, when over a dozen lives were lost. The Park Avenue Tunnel Horror in New York, where fifteen were killed and forty injured, occurred January 8. Then came the New York subway collision, killing eight and injuring 250

On January 24 a dust explosion in the Lost Creek coal mines, near Oskaloosa, Ia., killed twenty-one persons, and injured eight more.

January 27 a Chicago, Miiwaukee and St. Paul train crashed into a Kedzie avenue electric car, injuring twelve persons, and on the following day the Lindell Hotel fire in St. Louis burned, causing a property loss of \$300,000, and many persons escaped from the blazing building in only their night clothes.

Another horror in Mexico marked the advent of February 1, when eightyseven lives were lost in a dust explosion in the mines near Hondo. The next day a large portion of the basiness section of Waterbury, Conn.,

was burned, causing a property loss of \$2,000,000. Seven firemen were killed in St. Louis February 4 by the collapse of the walls of the American Tent and Awning Company, in which they were fighting a

The latest disaster prior to that of Sunday occurred in Chicago on the 5th instant, when eleven people were killed in the gas explosion on Archer avenue that wiped out the entire Trostel family.

## BIG FIRES IN UNITED STATES SINCE JANUARY 1 HAVE DESTROYED PROPERTY VALUED AT \$16,970,000. . HISTORY OF ST. LOUIS FIRES

Chicago, Feb. 10.-In the accompanying table a list of the big fires that have occurred since the first of this year are noted, together with the property loss. The total amounts to \$10,970,000. The list includes only losses of \$100,000 or more: • Buildings burned-January 29, Zero Marx building, Chicago ..... ◆ January 29, People's Church, St. Paul
 ◆ January 31, Atlantic Hotel and other buildings, Norfolk, Va...... ◆ February 3, Waterbury, Conn., business section 4,00,00 ♦ in April, 1886. The Bethel Home, Locust 5 February 4, Keeley Institute laboratory and hotel, Dwight, III. 20,000 ♦ street and Levee, a cheap lodging-house. February 4, Five-story awning factory, St. Louis.
February 7, Rock Island Car Works, Horton, Kas..... Pebruary 8, McCormick Estate, four-story building, Chicago..... ◆ February 8, Sanford building, Chicago ◆ February 9, Paterson, N. J., business section February 9, Elberton, Ga., business district ..... • February 10, Springfield, O., twelve factories ...... ... \$16,970,000

## MUSICAL EVENT OF SEASON OCCURS NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT. the rear of the Anchor Peanut works Three persons were killed outright by the explosion and three were caught under fall-timbers. Albert Steinway, a boy 15

Paderewski's Opera, "Manru," Will Be Produced at the Metropolitan Opera-House With Sembrich, von Bandrowski and David Bispham in the Leading Roles - Plot of the Opera.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

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New York, Feb. 19.-The most important event not only of the opera, but of the whole musical season, occurs at the Metropolitan Opera-house next Friday night, when M. Paderewski's opera, "Manru," will be produced with the three leading roles taken by Mme. Sembrich, Herr Von Bandrowski, who has come over especially for the title role, and Mr. David Bispham. M. Paderewski's fame as a planist and his success in compositions of smaller genrein fact, his widely recognized temperament -is sure to attract a large attendance of

music lovers. era "Manru." It was brought out in Dresden last summer, under Herr von Schuch's direction. It awakened lively interest. Sufdetermine whether "Manru" will retain its

place permanently in the European reper-Opera Is Tragic Throughout. The opera is tragic, and much of the story and score is pervaded by sadness. There is no overture. A melancholy strain, an oboe solo of fourteen bars, takes its place. The curtain rises on a mountain village. Hedwig, Ulana's mother, is bewalling her daughter's flight with the gypsy, Manru. In the background village girls, weav-

Ulana herself, fearful that her gypsy lover may prove untrue, comes down from the mountains herself pleading to be taken back. The village girls mock her. lively refrain of this chorus, hinting at the traditional gypsy faithlessness, doubtless is a Polish folk song. It often recurs in the score, exciting

jealous forehodings in Ulana, and thus tragically significant in spite of its gayety. Secures a Love Potion.

Ulana knocks at her mother's door, but is refused admittance. She begs Urok to administer a love potion to Manru. After graciously suggesting that he would rather give her lover a draft which would fin-ish him then and there Urok consents

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In the City.

MULLANPHY BANK SUIT-G. S. HOSS,

atterney for former Governor William J. Stone, receiver for the Muliamphy Savings Bank, applied to the Circuit Court yesterday for an allowance of \$7.00 for his services in the suit, which resulted in a judgment against certain of the directors for about \$57,000.

STREET CAR STRUCK COAL WAGON Yesterday, while Louis Tohe was driving

-resterday, while Louis Tohe was driving a coal wagon across the Transit Company's tracks at Thirteenth and Herbert streets, a Bellefontaine car struck the wagon, throwing Tohe to the ground. His hip was broken. He was taken to his home, ZiB Palm street.

FREIGHT TRAINS COLLIDE—Two freight trains on the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern collided at Soper street yesterday. No one was hurt, but the damage to cars will amount to about \$50. The caboose of the through freight was demolshed and set on fire. Engineer Waller and Fireman Robinson on the local engine jumped and escaped injury.

SUIT WAS CONTINUED-The suit of

INCORPORATED-The Randolph Re-

though in an aside he conveys the information that he does not expect the potion to accomplish much.

The girls return, are joined by the men and there is a lively dance—a thoroughly Polish affair, and one of the best things in the act and the opera—what the Germans would call one of the Glanzperioden. Manru appears and leads Ulana away.

The second act plays in Manru and Ulana's mountain home. It is a long act, from which the story gains little progress, and which to put it plainly, seems very tedious in the score, until a genuine gypsy violin solo breaks like a masterful improvisation from behind the scenes. Its effect on Manru is very apparent in his growing excitement.

Jagu, a brother gypsy, enters. He has come to persuade Manru to be chief of the clan and return to gypsy life. He hints at the love of the dark-eved Asa for Manru.

Manru Lured Away by Asa.

In the last act, Asa herself and her gypsy followers come to persuade Manru to return. An old gypsy, Oros, who himself is in love with Asa, protests that Manru has been faithless to the gypsies in deserting them for Ulana, but, after a violent scene, his protest goes unheeled.

Asa lures Manru with singing and dancing until, unable to resist her charms, he goes off with the gypsies over the mountains. The scene borders on a mountain take, Ulana comes up the mountain path in search of Manru. In vain she calls him.

Dramatic Endings of the Opera. Dramatle Endings of the Opera.

Suddenly she sees the groats emerge from the forest on a height above the lake. With them are Manru and Asa, and, with a cry of deepair. Ulana leaps into the waters and is drowned. and is drowned.

But not long does she remain unaveraged;
for Oros, seizing the opportunity, throws
himself upon the unprepared Manru and
hurls him over the precipice into the lake.

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The librette is the work of Doctor Aifred
Nossig. Mmc. Sembrich is to be the Ulann. She must be inspired either by patriotism—fer she is a Pole—or by a desire
to please her compatriot, the composer.
Surely there is little to suggest a singer
of her genre in Ulama since fordidty in the
role is complemous by its absence.

Herr von Handrowski, a tenor, selected
by M. Paderewski himself, will be Manru;
Mr. Bispham Orok, Prl. Scheff Asa and
Mme. Louise Homer Hodwig. The others
are Mr. Biass and Herr Muhlmann.

Sons Junk Company has a capital stock of \$10,000, divided into 100 shares, valued at \$100 each. Philip Klauber holds 25 shares; Adolph Klauber, 25; Edward Klauber, 25; Bertha Steiner, 10, and Morris Steiner, 15. The City Bill Posting Company is capitalized at \$25,000, the stock consisting of 250 shares, valued at \$100 each. Frank W. Ries holds 248 shares; Jacob Simon, 1, and John W. Ries, 1.

IDENTIFIED AS WM. MORAN—The man who fell and fractured his skull on Seventh and Chestnut streets Sunday, and died in the ambulance on the way to the City Hospital was identified yesterday as William Moran, a bostler, who last worked for the Keyes-Marshall Livery Company on North Grand avenue.

SHORTHAND MEN ENTERTAINED . The St. Louis Shorthand Reporters' Asso-ciation heid its monthly meeting Saturday evening in the reception hall of the Noon-day Club. After the business was over a literary and music programme was enjoyed.

GROCER EMPLOYES' ANNUAL BALL -The Retail Grocer Employes' Union gave its second annual ball at Liederkranz Hall last night. About 300 couples were present. J. M. Weingarth was chairman of the Ar-

RUNAWAY BOY ARRESTED-Burton RUNAWAY BOY ARRESTED—Burton Muse, 13 years old, who says he ran away from his home in Pueblo, Colo., two weeks ago, was arrested at the Union Station last night by Officer Doran as he alighted from a St. Louis and San Francisco passenger train. The boy was without money. He said he rode all day under a seat in the coach. His father, A. W. Muse, lives at No. 124 East Eighth street, Pueblo. He has been notified of the boy's arrest.

#### MUENCH MAY BE APPOINTED CONSUL.

Representative Joy Will Recom St. Louisan for Post at Zittau, Saxony.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Feb. 10.-Representative Joy will present the name of Hugo Muench to President Roosevelt for appointment as United States Consul at Zittau, Saxony, It is probable that the appointment will be

Mr. Muench was slated for this office some time ago, but it was filled by a personal choice of President Roosevelt. This man declined and the office is vacant again, so that Mr. Muench's chances of securing it appear to be good. He is a practicing lawyer of St. Louis.

Hugo Muench, who is a partner of the law firm of Lubke & Muench, was seen last night in reference to his probable appointment to the consulate at Zittau, Saxony,

ment to the consulate at Zittau, Saxony, as announced in a special dispatch to The Republic, but he declared that he had received no intimation that the President had named him for the place.

When asked whether he would accept the post, if tendered him, he replied that he could not give a definite answer. He declared, however, that if the vacancy at Zittau had to be filled immediately he could not accept the office, as he could not leave either his home or his law practice at short notice. notice.

Zittau is a small manufacturing and min-Empire, close to the border of Bohema. Ing town in the eastern part of the German The principal exports to the United States are textiles and dyes. The salary and fees of the United States Consul at Zittau are said to be small.

#### IN WHICH LIVES WERE LOST.

The loss of life in the Empire Hotel yes roperty loss • terday is exceeded in St. Louis only by the 100,000 death or killed in trying to escape. In the 106,000 • old Planters House four girls were suffo-900,000 • cated by smoke in a fire which occurred 250,000 • street and Levee, a cheap lodging-house, 100,500 . was hurned April 19 1888, and three per-250,000 • sons were killed. Beds were rented at 5 145.005 ♦ cents a day, and there were probably twen-100.000 ♦ ty-five people in the building when the fire \$,000,000 ♦ broke out, but all escaped except three 100,000 directions of the house, although they had

500,500 ♦ lived there for months. On January 4, 1896, six persons were killed In the fire which destroyed the works of the Anchor Peanut Company and the wares of the Grubbs Commission Company at No. 311 North Second street. The fire was said to have been started by an explosion of dynamits crackers on the second floor in timbers. Albert Steinway, a boy 15 years old, employed by the Anchor Peanut Company, attracted the attention of firemen by his cries and they began to cut the timbers attempt his rescue. When they got near him he begged them to kill him and relieve his sufferings. He was lying across the bodies of two other boys who were dead. Steinway died in a few hours after being taken out of the ruins.
MANY FIREMEN KILLED

FIGHTING ST. LOUIS FIRES.

One decade with another the list of victims of fires shows the names of firemen equal or nearly so to all others. Nearly a hundred firemen have been killed in St. Louis since the organization of the department. Next to the number killed in the recent Chestnut street fire is the record of the A. S. Aloe & Co.'s fire on Broadway between Locust and St. Charles, in which two members of the Fire Department were killed. Owen Heins and John Stanton, and two members of the Salvage Corps, Nimrod

Keriey and James Roddy were killed. On December 24, 1883, in a fire on Fourth the hose for a minute and climbed up to tell him good by. His release was impossible At this fire John Conway, a brother of Pat Conway, now of Engine Company No.

28 was injured for life. JOHN KEYES WAS

FIRST FIREMAN KILLED. The first fireman killed within the memory of present members of the department, and by some thought to be the first since the department was organized, was John

Keyes, who perished at the old Probasco candy store, November 21, 1874. Charles Mebus, pipeman in No. 1h was killed at the Penny & Gentles' fire, corner of Broadway and Franklin, on February 4. 1900, and John Judd, was badly injured un-der falling timbers. At the burning of Filley's foundry, corner of Main street and Cass avenue, September 7, 1889, Mike Lynch and Ed Saunderson were instantly killed by falling walls. No others were injured in this instance, but at nearly every impor-

tant fire two or three members of the department suffered severe injuries.

Barney McKernan, assistant chief; Chris
Hoell, and Frank McDonald, were killed at a fire on Second street, between Vine street and Washington avenue, Bishop & Spears's liquor house, August 10, 1887. On February 2, 1887, Joe Schimpers was killed in a fire at No. 910 Chestnut street, which destroyed Arnot's stables, with 115

One fireman, George Gantwald, was killed at the Eiy-Walker fire, March 15, 1897. PERSONS LOSE LIVES

THROUGH THEIR CARELESSNESS. An investigation of the history of St. Louis fires since 1870 shows that nearly the people who perish in fires, except fire-men, do so because they become so paralyzed with fear that they are unable to avail themselves of the means of escape which are often at hand. A tenement on Seventh and Morgan streets caught fire January 1, 1889, and two women appeared at an upper story window and killed themat an upper story window and killed them-selves by jumping to the pavement when they could easily have walked down the

stairs. One man, A. G. Brockaway, a traveling salesman from New York City, by keeping his head saved himself and five women at the Southern Hotel fire. He was asleep in the Southern Hotel fire. He was asleep in his room on the fifth floor when the fire started and did not awake until the guests began screaming and running wildly up and down the hallways. He sot up, opened the door of his room and saw his danger. Then he shut the door put down the transom to keep out the smoke and dressed. After dressing he threw his grips out on to the roof of Tony Faust's saloon, put on his overcoat and a plug hat and walked to the window. Five gris in a window above and to one side were screaming and calling for help. Brockaway yelled for them to wait and be careful not to fall out. Then he cut every sheet and blanket in his room into halves, twisted them carefully and tied the pieces into a line. This line he let down and yelled for a fireman to fasten a rope to the end. Drawing the rope to his window, he threw the end of it to the girls and told them how to fasten it. Then, taking off his overcoat less it lostruct his movements, he threw it over on Tony Faust's roof to where his grips lay, and fastening his improvised rone to his bedstead he descended very deliberately and escaped without a scratch. All five of the girls also escaped. his room on the fifth floor when the Cre



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